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Honorable Patsy T. Mink
U.S. House of Representatives
2135 Rayburn House Office Building
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Dear Congresswoman Mink:

This is in reply to your letter of February 12, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of several of your constituents regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

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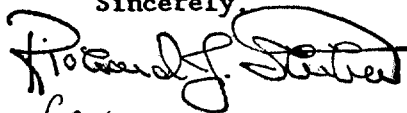
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We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land mobile radio spectrum and R/C hobbyists. We will, therefore, take into careful consideration all their comments. Your constituents' concerns will be fully evaluated when we develop final rules in this proceeding. As indicated in the Notice, we remain convinced that without significant regulatory change in radio operations in the bands below 512 MHz, the quality of communications in the private land mobile radio services will continue to deteriorate to the point of endangering public safety and the national economy.

We want to thank you for your interest in this proceeding. Comments on the proposals set forth in the Notice are due May 28, 1993, and Reply Comments are due July 14, 1993. We expect final rules to be issued in 1994. We urge your constituents to file formal comments on all aspects of the proposals.

Sincerely,



for Ralph A. Haller
Chief, Private Radio Bureau

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Mr. Alfred C. Sikes
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Dear Mr. Sikes:

I am writing on behalf of several residents of Hawaii, who have contacted me and expressed opposition to the Federal Communication Commission's proposed rulemaking that would reduce the number of usable frequencies for radio control model use.

The primary concern of these radio control model enthusiasts is that the reduction in usable frequencies will render radio equipment obsolete and, more importantly, will compromise the safety of the hobby. Since many of the radio control models span ten feet and reach weights of thirty to forty pounds, safety is an important consideration as operators and bystanders could be seriously injured if control of these models is not maintained.

I strongly urge the FCC, on behalf of radio control model enthusiasts, to carefully consider the deleterious effect of any proposed rulemaking that would reduce the number of usable frequencies for radio control model use and jeopardize the safe operation of radio control models.

I look forward to a response from the FCC as to the need and efficacy of its proposed rulemaking in this matter.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

Patsy T. Mink

PATSY T. MINK
Member of Congress

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